

Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting : February 15, 2018 Item Number: 020

Parks and Recreation

Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$27,771 in grant funds from the Capital Area Food Bank; and amending the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Parks and Recreation Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20170913-001) to appropriate \$27,771 to provide funding for the Kid's Café meal program.

District(s) Affected: District 1, District 2, District 3

Lead Department	Parks and Recreation Department
Fiscal Note	Funding in the amount of \$27,771 is available from Capital Area Food Bank. A City funding match is not required. A fiscal note is attached.
Prior Council Action	Ordinance No. 20160914-001 Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Parks and Recreation Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund
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Additional Backup Information:

Kids Café is a nationally operated nutrition program that partners with existing after school enrichment programs to provide nutritious food each weekday for children between the ages of 5 and 18 who may not have dinner available at home. Regionally, the Capital Area Food Bank partners with local churches, schools, and boys and girls clubs and administers Kids Café.

Currently there are nine Kids Cafes in the Austin area, which serve 1,200 meals three nights a week.

The proposed grant will allow the Parks and Recreation Department to partner with the Capital Area Food Bank to serve meals to children in Southeast Austin. The program will be offered at the Dove Springs, Montopolis, and Turner Roberts Recreation Centers, allowing the centers to expand the scope of their after school programs.

This agreement will cover October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018. This Kid's Café Program at the three sites will serve approximately 172 attendees daily. The grant budget is based on a fixed number of operating days. Monthly reports are submitted to the grantor requesting reimbursement for labor expenses based on a daily salary rate, as well as outside food and non-food costs.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute additional funds beyond those currently budgeted to this grant. When the grant funds expire, the Parks and Recreation Department's need for continuing funding will be evaluated and may be denied.